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## Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021] This application is related to copending patent application titled METHOD AND APPARATUS TO SPIN UP A DISK DRIVE PRIOR TO A DISK DRIVE DATA EXCHANGE REQUEST, patent application no. [[\_\_]] 10/750,037 filed 12/30/2003 (Attorney Docket No. 42.P18168), copending patent application titled METHOD AND APPARATUS TO SAVE HISTORICAL HARD DISK PERFORMANCE DATA, patent application no. [[\_\_]] 10,749,815 filed 12/30/2003 (Attorney Docket No. 42.P18167), and copending patent application titled METHOD AND SYSTEM TO CHANGE A POWER STATE OF A HARD DRIVE, patent application no. [[\_\_]] 10/749,756 filed 12/30/2003 (Attorney Docket No. 42.P18169).